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Re: CC Docket No. 96-45/Certification of Safety Net Additive Support

This is to certify that the CenturyTel of Midwest-Wisconsin, LLC (CASCO) (SAC 330857) qualifies for safety net additive support based on growth in telecommunications plant in service per line of at least 14% between June 30,2001 and June 30,2002. This study area meets the condition of qualifying for safety net additive support per CC Docket No 96-45. I am authorized to make this certification on behalf of the company listed above. This certification is provided for the study area under the common control of the Company.

Signed,

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